

PRESIDENT AND CABINET
MAKE NO MOVE UNLESS FORCED

Congressional Leaders Begin to Arrive in Washington, Prepared to Go to Any Lengths to Back Up Chief Executive in Fight for American Rights at Sea. Official Report Says Healdton Sunk Without Warning by Submarine.

(By E. R. Sartwell.)
Washington, March 23.—President Wilson and his cabinet today decided to wait for congress before making any definite move against Germany unless further submarine aggressions force the United States to act.

Preparedness was the chief duty of every department of the government after the president and his advisers reviewed the tangled international situation, and looked over the preparations already made.

It was decided to make every endeavor to mobilize all of the resources, men, money and industry behind the president, and to have these resources ready for instant use when congress convenes.

Meantime, the attitude of the administration will wait upon the developments in the zone of death and destruction where ship after ship of the American merchant marine has gone down unwarned.

Unless Germany's submarine activities force this country into active warfare, no move will be made until the direct representatives of the American people, in congress assembled, after April 2, decide on the course which the nation must take.

Tonight the congressional leaders, with Speaker Champ Clark, of the house, at their head, began to arrive in Washington for the most momentous session in more than half a century, and they were prepared to go to any lengths to back up the president in his fight for American rights at sea.

Calmly and in grim silence, the administration today received the official detailed report of the death of 21 men of the crew of the American tanker Healdton. The Healdton was sunk without warning almost within sight of the neutral shore of Holland by a submarine that made no effort to aid the crew to escape death. Officially, the only effect of the Healdton report was to accentuate the whole-sale drive for complete preparedness which the administration has begun.

There was no expression of formal regrets, there will be no expression of surprise. But from the White House to Capitol Hill official Washington set its jaw with grim determination to make ready for the apparently inevitable struggle to avenge the men who went down to their deaths in the peaceful pursuit of American commercial life.

Report by Daniels.
Secretary of the Navy Daniels laid before the cabinet meeting today his report of what has been accomplished and what has been planned to make the nation's first line of defense ready for the impending struggle. It was brief and to the point, and it placed squarely before the president and his advisers the need for speed in naval construction and in the enlistment of men to man the nation's warships. Secretary Daniels left the White House with all of the authority that the executive branch of the government can give him to hasten naval preparation. When congress convenes a week from next Monday, it will find the navy ready to move at a moment's notice.

Secretary of War Baker likewise submitted his plans for army activity and the whole cabinet went over in detail the need for men to guard the cities of the Atlantic coast, and of the whole country, not only from attacks without but from conspiracies which might endanger the vital points of the nation's life.

Other members of the cabinet, particularly Secretary of Commerce Redfield and Secretary of Labor Wilson, went over the matters in their departments which will aid in mobilizing the whole power of the nation for instant use. All of the president's advisers will begin work at once on estimate of needed appropriations and necessary legislative enactments, which will be asked for when the extraordinary session of congress convenes.

The cabinet went over the Austrian situation in detail, but no announcement was forthcoming as to what action was contemplated. Tonight, however, there was general feeling that Ambassador Penfield at Vienna and his staff were prepared to leave the dual monarchy at a moment's notice. The situation of the 1,000 or more American refugees held at Beirut, in Asia-Minor, also agitated the administration and it was stated that a peremptory demand for the relief of these refugees would be forwarded to Turkey within a short time.

The state department has exerted every effort to relieve these refugees, and the Turkish government has so far failed to secure safe conducts through the Mediterranean barred zone for the cruiser Des Moines and the collier Caesar, loaded with supplies and ready to remove the refugees.

The loss of 21 men in the Healdton disaster was confirmed in a dispatch to the state department from Consul Krogh, at Rotterdam, who declared the ship had been sunk without warning 25 miles from the Dutch coast. He said 20 men were reported lost; that Capt. Charles Christopher and 19 men of the crew had been landed safely, and that one man had died of exposure in the boats.

Navy Needs Recruits.

The navy department, in a big drive to bring enlistment up to full strength, and fill the immediate need for men tonight dispatched orders to all recruiting stations to accept men for the marine corps as well as the reserve corps for a term limited to the "present emergency." Men so recruited will be pressed into service with the understanding that they will receive furlough when the emergency ends and not be compelled to serve

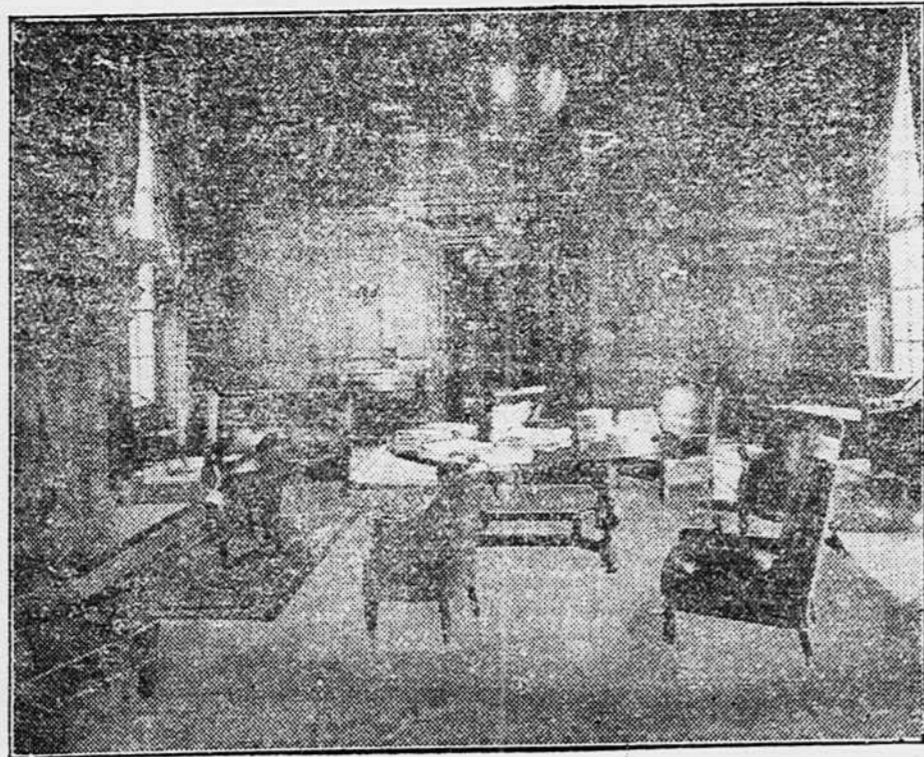
WHAT A CLUB SHOULD EXPRESS

By Noble Foster Hoggson, President, Hoggson Brothers, Builders.

There are almost as many kinds of clubs as there are enthusiasms among men, and by the same token, almost as many styles of clubhouse architecture. For clubs are founded upon enthusiasm, and, one's church aside, there is no institution in which one must needs find the spirit of the organization and the physical aspects

evince too much dignity in its lo-bies. There is no surer way to banish the atmosphere of welcome, ease, and solid comfort, so necessary to club life, than to permit the lobby to convey an impression of extreme aloofness or formality. A quiet, friendly dignity it may have—an air made visible in marble and bronze, let us say but not frozen into marble to chill and iron too forbiddingly black.

The general lounging-room, sometimes the most important of all



A CLUB ROOM OF CHARM AND COMFORT.

Big Easy Chairs and the Fine, Calm Dignity of This Room Must Invite Weary Men to Lay Aside the burdens of the Day For a While.

of its home so thoroughly in accord. The task of making the club-house a proper setting for the club spirit is an exceedingly nice one. Every club has its own individuality, and that individuality together with other attributes, must find expression in quarters as well as in the personnel of the membership of the body.

Whatever else a man's club may be, it must be homey. The club is that place to which he resorts to feel at home among men, even as he goes to his residence to find those comforts and associations which we more generally designate by the term "home." The residence-home is dominated by the feminine influence in architecture and furnishings. A man's club must be altogether masculine in atmosphere and setting. To keep the masculine note predominant, and yet preserve the hominess of the club, is one of the delicate problems which confronts every house or building committee.

A club whose membership is confined to the alumni of a given college, finds most of the solutions of these problems ready-made. It has only to carry over the spirit of college days, with here and there a more sober elaboration, as suggested by the wisdom of increasing age, or the tempting touch of the hand of Time. But the club which has not this very tangible spirit to guide it in its effort to make its quarters truly expressive of the thing that it is, must needs exercise thoughtful and intelligent caution before it approves either general plans or details.

Even a staid and dignified club can

rooms, at the club should escape an atmosphere of oppressive opulence. A wealth of upholstery and a superfluous richness of leather have often marred what would otherwise have been the friendliest and most charmingly individualistic of the club lounging-rooms.

Happy is the club that makes no error in its dining-rooms. The grill must be a hearty sort of place—it must sound the top note of good fellowship. Furniture, table-ware, utensils, mural decorations, all must tell one story; manhood laying aside its cares to take its fill of jollity and the good things of life. If it have lofty arches and good rough walls, decorated in vigorous style—the whole suggestive of olden days when meat pies, washed down with pots of ale, were fit food for gentlemen—why it is all so much the better.

It may be that the club spirit and the spirit that broods in libraries are somewhat incompatible. Or it may be that the American club man, being a man of affairs, has no time for other reading than that of newspapers and magazines. Yet one would regret to see the persistent experiment of creating club libraries abandoned. The word, "experiment" is used advisedly, for most club libraries are rather points of pride than features of utility and by these tokens experimental. The club library, with its quiet corners, its goodly volumes, its accentuated atmosphere of friendliness and repose, and its studied adaptation to the needs of the membership, may easily be made to tell the whole story of the club.

at the usual four years. To rush enlistments and broaden the campaign for new men, an additional force of 100 officers and 1,000 men may be detailed for recruiting purposes.

The total enlisted strength of the navy is 61,000, it was shown by the department reports today. Figuring in the men whose term of enlistment will expire in the near future, the navy now needs 26,456 men to bring the number up to the maximum allowed by the present law. When the present limit is reached the president will be asked to extend it to furnish plenty of additional men for every vessel and for duty on shore. When the special session convenes, legislation is expected to be pressed making it easier for enlisted men to secure commissions. The navy department needs 995 officers now for immediate duty.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels stated today that the government is prepared to buy any number of torpedo boat destroyers and the nation's shipyards can lay down, and he will meet the principal builders of warships at the department tomorrow in an effort to speed up construction. The navy will insist that the 15 torpedo boat destroyers already authorized be constructed within 12 months if possible, instead of within two years, the usual time allowed for completion of such craft. The department is rushing its plans to award at an early date contracts for the construction of 200 submarine chasers. Contracts already have been let for gasoline engines to equip such small vessels.

The builders of sixteen small non-dirigible airships, recently ordered for coast patrol work in cooperation with aeroplanes, advised Secretary Daniels today that their plants are being pushed to their maximum to turn out the ships in the shortest possible time. The contracts required first deliveries within four months. The first ship will be ready for trial within a month and the others soon afterwards. The joint army and navy board again conferred with representatives of aircraft and rubber companies, to perfect details for the building of a mammoth air fleet, for scout purposes and coast defense work.

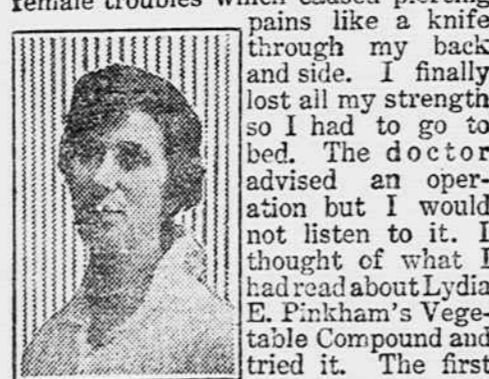
Two hundred wealthy residents of New York, through the Aero Club of America, today promised Secretary Daniels to "do their bit" toward aerial preparedness, and voluntarily offered to buy their own seaplanes and train for service without pay.

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N. O. PYLES DIED IN A COLUMBIA HOSPITAL

Served as Clerk in General Assembly 32 Years—Compiled Much Data.

The State, 21.

N. O. Pyles, for many years a resident of Columbia, died yesterday at the Ridgewood tuberculosis camp, where he had been taken for treatment several months ago. Funeral services will be held from 1217 Hampton street this afternoon at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. C. E. Burts, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church. The late Mr. Pyles was a member of the Columbia lodge of Odd Fellows, and the remains will be laid to rest with ceremonies by the order in Elmwood cemetery.

Reared in Laurens county, Mr. Pyles gave many of the best years of his life to the teaching profession, having taught schools in Abbeville, Greenwood and Laurens counties. Later he taught several terms in the rural district near Columbia. His was a familiar face at the annual meeting of the State Teachers' association, and that of last week was one of the very few he ever missed.

He had a particular aptitude for accumulating general information. He made census surveys of the city at different times and always directed the information bureaus for practically all large conventions which met in Columbia. He served as post-office clerk of the general assembly 32 years and in that way cultivated a large and influential statewide acquaintance. He was probably the first to issue a directory of the State legislature. He also did much work in connection with the Columbia postoffice and was one of the first rural carriers to enter the service. A brother, also a teacher, died in Columbia eight or ten years ago. No immediate relatives survive. A sister-in-law resides in the West and a nephew lives in Florida. Mr. Pyles was about 55 years old.

FRENCH BATTLESHIP DANTON
TORPEDOED 296 SAILORS KILLED

Paris, March 23.—The French admiralty tonight announced the destruction by a torpedo in the Mediterranean on March 19 of the battleship Danton, with a loss of 296 men.

Eight hundred and sixty men were saved by a torpedo boat destroyer and patrol boats. The patrol, the Massue, attacked the U-boat, the statement says. The submarine disappeared.

The German admiralty, on March 20, announced the sinking of the Danton, a battleship of 18,000 tons. She was commissioned in 1909.

SEA RAIDER SAFE
IN GERMAN PORT

Moewe Returns After Second Cruise.

Berlin, March 22 (via Sayville).—The German auxiliary cruiser Moewe has returned into a home port of the navy from a second cruise in the Atlantic ocean, it was announced today by the German admiralty.

The Moewe, according to the statement, captured 22 steamships and five sailing ships aggregating 123,100 gross tons.

The statement follows: "The German auxiliary cruiser Moewe has returned into a home port of the navy from a second cruise in the Atlantic ocean where she stayed for several months under command of Burggrave and Count von Dohna-Scholdien.

The ship captured 22 steamers and five sailing vessels with the gross tonnage of 123,100. They included 21 hostile steamers of which eight were armed and five in the services of British admiralty as well as four hostile sailing ships.

"Among the vessels captured by the Moewe were the Voltaire, an English steamer of 8,417 tons gross, in ballast, carrying a 12-centimeter gun; the Norwegian steamer Hallbjorg, of 2,587 tons gross and the Mount Temple."

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At Little Mountain, Lutheran Church Visitor.
Holy Trinity church, Rev. J. J. Long, pastor, is erecting a handsome and substantial brick structure, taking the place of the old building which is being torn down. The new church will cost \$10,000, all of which is practically subscribed. The other congregation in the charge, namely Macedonia, is worshipping in its new building which cannot be duplicated at this time for less than \$6,000. indebtedness having been liquidated the church will be consecrated shortly after Easter. Few country parishes can rejoice in having such houses of worship of which pastor and people may feel justly proud.

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Washington, D. C. \$10.65

Account 27th Annual Reunion United Confederate Veterans and 22nd Annual Reunion Sons of Veterans; tickets on sale June 2nd to 7th inclusive with final limit returning June 21st, 1917; extension until July 6th by depositing ticket and payment of fee of 50c.

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